

Washington Merry-Go- Round

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 4. — President Eisenhower may send able Deputy Under Secretary of State Robert Murphy, a Catholic, to Yugoslavia to arrange for Marshal Tito's visit to Washington.

There's been a lot of Catholic and congressional opposition. The visit will take place but not until after Congress adjourns and congressional critics have gone home. . . . (It's pure coincidence, but Murphy comes from Wisconsin where GOP Congressman O'Konaki is protesting the loudest.)

Congressmen are so fed up with the dictatorial methods of Rep. Carl Vinson of Georgia, Democratic chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, that only one asked to serve on his committee,—namely, Tobey Morris of Oklahoma, whose district embraces Fort Sill. To fill the two other vacancies, congressmen actually had to be drafted. They complain that they must serve on Vinson's committee for three terms before they are even allowed to ask questions at committee hearings.

Jordan Chaos

CEO director Allen Dulles has warned the White House conditions in Jordan are so chaotic that a major explosion may occur. Dulles believes Jordan is so racked by plotting and intrigue it may disappear as an independent nation before the year is over. Its boundaries jut into Israel and cut across the Red Sea, partially disrupting Israel's economic life. If Jordan is split to pieces, Israel probably will be in to fill the vacuum.